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In response to the Final Official Action dated November 29, 2006, in which the three-month shortened statutory period for responding thereto runs to February 28, 2007, please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.